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Question: Would you explain which chemicals are included as Production of Economically Critical Chemicals?

Answer:

A facility's production of a chemical is deemed economically critical when it accounts for 35% or more of the domestic production of any chemical. This excludes the production of chemicals for critical infrastructure sectors deemed mission critical chemicals.

If this facility produces a chemical that is critical to the continued operation of other US manufacturing, including, but not limited to mining, construction, information, finance, government or service sector of the US economy (excluding the mission critical infrastructure sectors defined above), does the volume production of this chemical from this facility account for more than 35% of the total US production volume of this chemical. [Q:10.0-771] In other words, does the production of this chemical from this facility represent a market share larger than 35%? The market share is calculated as the facility's production divided by the total US production for a particular chemical in volume terms. An estimate of the total US production volume of a particular chemical in the facility's production portfolio should be available from a company's marketing department.

Market Share = Facility Production of Chemical X (in volume terms) / Total US Production of Chemical X (in volume term)

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